BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 98-542-C - ORDER NO. 2003-234

APRIL 11, 2003

IN RE:	Application of Mercury Marketing Company, Ltd. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Operate as a Reseller of Interexchange Telecommunications Services within the State of South Carolina.)))	ORDER DISMISSING APPLICATION AND CLOSING DOCKET
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On October 29, 1998, Mercury Marketing Company, Ltd. ("Mercury Marketing" or the "Applicant") filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina. The initial hearing regarding the above-referenced matter was scheduled for April 1, 1999, at 11:00 a.m. By the Applicant's request filed March 30, 1999, the hearing for April 1, 1999, was rescheduled and a new hearing date of June 9, 1999, was scheduled. Thereafter, on June 8, 1999, by facsimile, Mercury Marketing requested that the hearing scheduled for June 9, 1999, be rescheduled for a period of six months or more. Hence, the Commission issued a Notice of Continuance of Hearing, dated June 15, 1999, which continued the June 9, 1999 hearing until further notice from the Commission. The record reveals that since issuance of the Notice of Continuance of Hearing, the Commission received no further correspondence from Mercury Marketing.

Lastly, the Commission Staff attempted to contact Mercury Marketing concerning its pending Application by letter dated March 20, 2003, which was returned by the U.S. postal service as "return to sender, not deliverable as addressed, unable to forward."

Due to the Applicant's failure to appear for the previously scheduled hearings in this matter and the Applicant's failure to file any documentation or to correspond with the Commission, we find that the Application of Mercury Marketing Company, Ltd. should be dismissed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Mercury Marketing Company, Ltd.'s Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services in South Carolina shall be dismissed, and the docket closed.

This Order shall take effect upon issuance and shall remain in effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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ATTEST:

Gary E. Walsh, Executive Director

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